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REPORT

of

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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HAYWARDS HEATH.
September, 1968.

To the: Chairman and Members of the Cuckfield Urban District Council.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report for the year 1967.

A marked upward trend in the corrected birth rate (17.87) was recorded giving a natural increase in population of thirty.

The infant mortality rate of 20.51 was an improvement on that of last year. Eight deaths were recorded during the first year of life, four of which occurred during the first week due to prematurity and the remaining four during the post-neonatal period at ages from seven weeks to ten months. Two of the latter deaths were the result of asphyxia from inhalation of stomach contents whilst asleep and two succumbed to congenital defects. As a result of the marked decrease in the early neonatal and still birth rates the perinatal mortality rate fell to 22.78 and the rate for Mid-Sussex as a whole, a more significant figure from the statistical point of view, was 16.09 as compared with 23.45 for the previous year. Expressed as a percentage of total live births the illegitimacy rate was 6.67. There were no maternal deaths during the year.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA, WHOOPING COUGH, TETANUS AND POLIOMYELITIS

The following tabulated figures mainly represent "booster" injections given by your Medical Officer of Health to children in the age group 18 to 21 months at the special Immunisation Clinics in Burgess Hill and Haywards Heath, together with those carried out in older children, throughout the Mid-Sussex area, at routine visits to the schools.

Immunisation—Combined Mid-Sussex Districts

Diphtheria	..	T.A.F.	..	..	111
		Diphtheria/Tetanus	..	..	1,155
		Trivax (Triple)	..	..	307
Tetanus	..	..	..	..	30
Others	..	Smallpox	..	..	60
		Poliomyelitis (Oral)	..	..	754
					2,417
Influenza	..	C.U.D.C. (Staff)	..	..	79

INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX AND CHOLERA

During the year 2,057 certificates were authenticated by the Health Department. The foregoing figure shows a marked but misleading decrease in the number of certificates dealt with, due to gross inflation in the previous year (1966), as a result of exceptional International demand following an outbreak of smallpox in the West Midlands. The work in connection with the authentication of International certificates continued to show an upward trend in 1967 as compared with the years 1963-1965 inclusive.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Three hundred and fifty-six cases of infectious disease were notified during the year and, of the total notifications received, 320 were attributed to measles and two to scarlet fever. There were sixteen cases of puerperal pyrexia, fifteen of which occurred in hospital. One case of typhoid fever, one case of meningococcal meningitis, five cases of infective hepatitis, five cases of food poisoning and four cases of dysentery were also notified.

A Case of Typhoid Fever

On the 16th February I was informed by a Houseman at Cuckfield Hospital that a nine year old Spanish pupil at a Boys' Boarding School in the Cuckfield Rural District, who had been admitted on the 14th February with pyrexia of uncertain origin, was now a typhoid suspect. Although subsequent enquiries showed that the boy had most probably acquired the disease before leaving his home in Madrid on the 17th January, it was necessary to arrange for the collection of specimens from the three Portuguese kitchen staff and also from several boys who had suffered from a mild and non-specific gastro-enteritis at about the same time.

When the diagnosis was confirmed a few days later I interviewed the patient and his mother at Foredown Hospital and learned that, two days before leaving Spain, the former had consumed several oysters at a restaurant in Madrid. Specimens taken from the boy's parents, soon after their arrival in this country during the early stages of the illness, were negative. There were no secondary cases at the school.

N.B. Diagnosed Cuckfield Hospital—notified C.U.D.C. area.

Meningococcal Meningitis

The patient, a 21 year old sailor, developed symptoms of meningitis whilst on home leave in Haywards Heath. The Provost-Marshal at the Chatham R.N. Depot was informed.

Food Poisoning (*Salmonella typhimurium*)

Five cases were notified during the year. All occurred sporadically as single, apparently unconnected, incidents. One was almost certainly caused by the consumption of an inadequately cooked duck egg and another is worthy of comment as the indicator case in a food poisoning outbreak which occurred in the London area. The victim, a man of 32 years, acquired the infection at a cocktail party and, although many of the other guests were affected, prompt notification of the above case led to early isolation of a pathogenic organism and provided the first definite evidence as to the cause of the outbreak. A copy of the detailed report by the Additional Public Health Inspector was forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health of the London Borough concerned for information.

Sonne Dysentery

One of the above cases, a 38 year old woman, was notified by Cuckfield Hospital prior to her transfer to the infectious diseases hospital at Goddards Green. On making enquiries it was learned that she was employed as a hotel worker in the Uckfield Rural District. The District Medical Officer of Health was informed and steps were taken to ensure that three consecutive negative stool specimens were obtained before the patient was allowed to return to work.

Suspected Food Poisoning in the Mid-Sussex Area

A number of persons were taken ill following a wedding reception at a hotel in the Mid-Sussex area. As so often happens the incident came to our knowledge too late for a complete investigation to be made but, on the evidence obtained after a thorough enquiry, which included the submission to the Public Health Laboratory of stool specimens from several of the guests, it seemed almost certain that the disease was an acute gastro-enteritis—probably viral in origin. It is significant that the Assistant Chef responsible for “plating up” the cold chicken on the morning of the reception felt unwell and was sent home by the Manager. The illness which developed was of the same type as that experienced some hours later by the guests, yet other members of the kitchen staff who ate cold chicken which had been cooked at the same time but carved later, were unaffected. It would seem that the chicken may have been the vehicle for the transmission of virus to the guests and, although there was no evidence to suggest that this incident was caused by an organism of the food poisoning groups, its effects were similar.

In view of the prompt action by the Management on this occasion it is difficult to conceive of any measures which could be adopted to prevent a further incident of this type. This is the second occasion in this area in which the ubiquitous, yet still unidentified, virus of so-called “winter vomiting disease” has simulated a food poisoning incident.

Leptospiral Jaundice

The responsible organism in this disease is carried in the kidney of the rat and is harmless to the rat itself. Forty to fifty per cent. of the rat population carry the organism which leaves the rat's body in the urine and survives only in damp, dark places such as hedgerows, farm buildings, sewers and stagnant

water with the result that farm workers, sewage workers and rodent operators are at risk. Accidental cases have occurred in persons paddling and bathing in rat infested waters or falling into contaminated mud. The disease is generally contracted by the organism entering the body through a cut or abraded skin.

One of the safety recommendations put forward in recent years by the Institute of Civil Engineers in collaboration with the Ministry of Housing and Local Government was the suggestion that a card should be issued to each exposed worker giving instructions as to the precautions to be taken against the risk of leptospiral jaundice. After consulting the Surveyors of the three Mid-Sussex Districts, it was decided to adopt the practice recommended by the Institute of Civil Engineers and a suitable card was prepared for distribution to all exposed workers employed by the Mid-Sussex Authorities. In order to increase the effectiveness of these measures, family doctors were asked to record the occupations of exposed workers on the National Health Service Record Cards.

PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS

There is only one public swimming pool in the Urban District. It is privately owned. Mains water is used for filling at the beginning of the season and is changed from time to time during the summer months. The water at the pool is treated by pressure filters, aeration and chlorination.

In addition to the above there are two Private Schools, a County Grammar School, two Secondary Schools, two County Primary Schools and a private housing estate with open-air swimming pools. There is also an indoor swimming pool at one of the local hospitals. All were supervised throughout the bathing season.

WATER SUPPLY

(i) The water for the whole of the Urban District is supplied by the Mid-Sussex Water Company. This was satisfactory in quality and quantity.

Samples were taken for bacteriological analysis and all were reported as being satisfactory.

(ii) The Company carried out monthly bacteriological examination of the raw water. The water was chlorinated after filtration.

(iii) The supply is not liable to plumbo-solvent action.

(iv) There was no evidence of the supply being contaminated.

(v) Every house in the district is provided with a piped supply direct to the house.

HOUSING

Mr. C. A. C. Ford, Housing Manager, has kindly furnished the following report on the Council's housing activities for the year.

PROPERTIES FOR LETTING

Applications for Accommodation

By a strange coincidence, the numbers of new applications received and cases reinstated is the same for 1967 as in the previous year, so that a static demand is indicated for accommodation within this Urban District but, with a greater number of new dwellings available for letting during the year, the total number of applications outstanding at the 31st December, 1967, fell by 18 from 342 to 324.

The following was the movement on the waiting list during the year:—

New Applications received	..	..	119	
Applications reinstated	..	..	6	
			—	
Gross Increase	..	..	..	125
Deletions	..	..	77	
Lettings	..	..	66	
			—	143
				—
Net decrease	..	..	..	18
				—

Properties under Control or in Course of Construction

All 54 dwellings for letting at Newton Road and Eastern Road, Lindfield, became occupied during the year. This scheme included several types of accommodation, i.e. 1 and 2 bedroomed flats and 2 and 3 bedroomed houses and were more or less repeat designs of dwellings built in other areas on the housing estates. One variation was the inclusion, in semi-detached dwellings, of double gates and a drive-in for a motor vehicle, as one means for overcoming the ever increasing problem of car parking. Another two disabled persons flats were also provided in this new scheme.

At the time of the preparation of these notes, the last of the Council's 67 pre-fabricated bungalows erected in 1946 and 1947 as temporary accommodation for an approximate period of 10 years had been demolished and at Hanbury Lane where 26 aluminium bungalows stood 24 two-bedroomed houses and 1 three-bedroomed house were occupied out of a total of 109 houses being built in this scheme by industrialized methods.

This development has been designed to include modern standards in design and amenity provision. Each unit of accommodation is equipped to Parker Morris Standard electrically and is centrally heated by a gas warm-air system. Provision is made for radio and television reception from a central mast; a children's play area, lock-up garages and parking bays are also included.

Under the National Plan for municipal housing which prohibits building for general needs, the Council can only hope to obtain authority for very limited building development in the foreseeable future, probably mainly for the needs of the elderly, and in this connection has plans prepared for two such schemes with a Resident Warden at New England Road, Haywards Heath, and Glebe Road, Cuckfield.

Works for the improvement in standards of pre-war houses has continued throughout the year on a limited scale and consideration is now being given to the improvement of the electrical facilities in the earlier built post-war houses where the power points provision is far from adequate for present day needs and in some measure constitutes a hazard to present occupants of such dwellings.

PROPERTIES FOR SALE

As a result of further Government restriction in prohibiting the building of houses for sale, the applicants list for this type of accommodation had to be abandoned.

The six 3-bedroomed semi-detached houses built and sold at Newton Road, Lindfield, during the year, concludes, at any rate for the moment, a most attractive scheme started in 1955 and which resulted in 197 houses being built and made available for purchase at a modest price.

The Council continues to use its powers to assist in house ownership by way of housing advances and is endeavouring to help groups of people interested in house ownership through the medium of Housing Associations.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

Section 47

This Section provides for the compulsory removal from their homes of elderly, infirm or incapacitated persons, who are not receiving proper care and attention. Such persons are often living on their own under poor and insanitary conditions and although it was not necessary to take formal action under this Section, several cases were investigated during the year.

W.R.V.S. MEALS ON WHEELS SERVICE— HAYWARDS HEATH AREA

During the period January to December, 1967, a total of 4,140 meals was provided. Since the inception of this service in December, 1961, a total of 17,932 meals has been provided.

In the late autumn the Meals on Wheels Organiser informed me of the considerable difficulties which were being experienced with the existing organisation of the service. It would appear that a much needed expansion of the service was impossible without the provision of facilities for dealing with food received in bulk from St. Francis Hospital. The problem was put to the Council as a matter of urgency, an opportunity being given to the W.R.V.S. Organiser to present her case. A series of rapidly convened meetings resulted in a decision to allow the W.R.V.S. to use the kitchen facilities at the Sussex Hall, additional equipment being provided to ensure that the meals remained hot whilst "plating up." I am glad to report that the W.R.V.S. found it possible to initiate a marked expansion of the service from the beginning of December with the delivery of 58 meals on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. A month later the number had risen to 70 and, at the time of going to press, an additional 30-35 meals are also being delivered on Wednesday of each week.

This year has also seen the growth of Luncheon Club facilities for the mobile elderly at the Red Cross Centre at Oaklands and at the Sussex Hall. Again the Council was approached and agreed to the further use of the Sussex Hall, on this occasion as a Luncheon Club, a subsidy being provided on a capitation basis in order that meals could be supplied to the consumer at a reasonable cost.

Great credit is due to members of the W.R.V.S. and the Old People's Welfare Committee for the time and thought they have given to the development and expansion of these services.

I need hardly say that, without the co-operation of the Catering Officer at St. Francis Hospital, the Meals on Wheels Service might still be struggling on from crisis to crisis.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

During the year medical examinations were carried out for the following authorities:—

Cuckfield Rural District	..	..	..	..	3
Cuckfield Urban District	..	..	..	..	5
East Sussex County Council	..	..	..	..	66

I would like to express my thanks to Mr. Pennington, Chief Public Health Inspector, for his help and co-operation in the work of the department and for the particulars which he has supplied for this report. Mr. Staynes, who retired in May after 31 years as Chief Public Health Inspector, was responsible for setting the standards of environmental hygiene in the district during a period of steady expansion. The standards which he set were of a very high order

indeed and much credit is due to him for the firm but fair manner in which he dealt with transgressors during his long period of office. I learned much of the scope of a Public Health Inspector's work during the nine years of our collaboration and came to have the highest regard for Mr. Staynes' opinion. I also wish to record my appreciation to other members of the staff for their loyal support during the year, particularly Miss Everson, my Secretary.

Miss Everson retired at the end of the year after completing 33 years of service with the Health Department. Miss Everson's services spanned the period of most active growth in the Public Health Services of the area, one of the most important aspects of which was the pioneering, by my predecessor, of diphtheria immunisation throughout Mid-Sussex. The latter scheme was so far ahead of the rest of the country that by the outbreak of war 90% of children in the area had been protected. Miss Everson was responsible for keeping diphtheria immunisation records and for the arrangement of clinics over a period of 23 years, the model scheme being taken over by the County Council in 1958.

Outside the Health Department Miss Everson gave up much of her spare time to community interests, at first in the Civil Defence Corps and later as a member of the Red Cross, in which she reached the rank of Commandant in 1959. All these activities resulted in her becoming a mine of information on the local medical and social services and Dr. Stott, my predecessor, and I would like to put on permanent record our appreciation of Miss Everson's valuable services to the Health Department and to the local community.

In conclusion I would like to thank members of the Council, particularly the Chairman and members of the Public Health and Housing Committee, for their support and also the officers and staff in other departments for their help during the year.

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Medical Officer of Health.

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<i>Clerks to the M.O.H...</i>	Miss B. P. RACKHAM
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<i>Clerk to the C.P.H.I.</i>	Mrs. W. M. PATTEN

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Summary of Statistics for the years:

	1965	1966	1967
Area of District in Acres	3,912	3,912	3,912
Population estimated to middle of year	23,020	23,360	23,800
Rateable Value	£1,182,341	£1,267,534	£1,371,166
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£4,844	£5,000	£5,410
Density of Population (persons per acre)	5.88	5.97	6.08
Number of dwellings	7,422	7,697	8,100
Birth Rate (corrected) per 1,000 population	18.03	16.89	17.87
Death Rate (corrected) per 1,000 population	8.52	8.99	10.14
Infant Mortality Rate	20.99	30.39	20.51

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births							<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Legitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	193	171	364
Illegitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	12	26
Total Live Births							207	183	390
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population (crude) ..							16.39		
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population (corrected)							17.87		
Illegitimate live births per cent. of total live births..							..	..	6.67

Still Births							<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Legitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4
Illegitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	—	1
Total Still Births							3	2	5
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 (live and still births) ..							..	..	12.66

Total Live and Still Births							<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
.. .. .							210	185	395

Infant Deaths

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age							<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Legitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	7
Illegitimate .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	1	1
Total							4	4	8

Infant Mortality Rates:—

(a)	All infants per 1,000 live births	20.51
(b)	Legitimate infants, per 1,000 legitimate live births..	19.23
(c)	Illegitimate infants, per 1,000 illegitimate live births	38.46

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age							Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4
Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—	—
							—	—	—
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4
							—	—	—
Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live births							..	..	10.26

Deaths of Infants under 1 week of age							Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4
Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—	—
							—	—	—
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4
							—	—	—
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live births..							..	..	10.26

Perinatal Mortality							Male	Female	Total
Still Births and Deaths under 1 week							5	4	9
Perinatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live and still births									
(a) Cuckfield Urban	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22.78
(b) Mid-Sussex Area	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16.09

Maternal Mortality									
Maternal Deaths (including abortion)							..	..	Nil
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births							..	..	0.00

Deaths							Male	Female	Total
All Causes							148	212	360
Death Rate per 1,000 of the population (crude)							..	..	15.13
Death Rate per 1,000 of the population (corrected)							..	..	10.14

MAIN CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE CUCKFIELD URBAN DISTRICT

	1966	1967
(i) Diseases of the heart and circulatory system.. ..	133 (39.23%)	138 (38.33%)
(Coronary disease)	63 (18.58%)	75 (20.83%)
(ii) Cancer (all sites)	64 (18.88%)	65 (18.06%)
(Cancer of Lung and Bronchus) ..	13 (3.83%)	11 (3.06%)
(iii) Vascular lesions of the nervous system	61 (17.99%)	54 (15.00%)
(iv) Respiratory diseases (including tuberculosis)	45 (13.27%)	50 (13.89%)
(Respiratory tuberculosis)	Nil	1 (0.28%)

CAUSES OF DEATH IN CUCKFIELD URBAN DISTRICT

						<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	..	..	..	..	1	—
2.	Tuberculosis, other	..	..	..	..	—	—
3.	Syphilitic disease	..	..	..	..	—	—
4.	Diphtheria	..	..	..	..	—	—
5.	Whooping Cough	..	..	..	..	—	—
6.	Meningococcal infections	..	..	..	..	—	—
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	..	..	..	..	—	—
8.	Measles	..	..	..	..	—	—
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	..	..	..	..	1	—
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	..	..	..	..	5	1
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	..	..	..	..	7	4
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	..	..	..	..	—	8
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	..	..	..	..	—	3
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	..	..	..	..	17	20
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	..	..	..	..	—	1
16.	Diabetes	..	..	..	..	1	1
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	..	..	..	..	16	38
18.	Coronary disease, angina	..	..	..	..	42	33
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	..	..	..	..	1	3
20.	Other heart disease	..	..	..	..	11	25
21.	Other circulatory disease	..	..	..	..	5	18
22.	Influenza	..	..	..	..	—	—
23.	Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	10	28
24.	Bronchitis	..	..	..	..	7	2
25.	Other diseases of the respiratory system	..	..	..	..	1	1
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	..	..	..	..	5	—
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	..	..	..	..	—	—
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	..	..	..	..	—	1
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	..	..	..	..	—	—
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	..	..	..	..	—	—
31.	Congenital malformations	..	..	..	..	2	1
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	..	..	..	..	7	13
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	..	..	..	..	2	1
34.	All other accidents	..	..	..	..	5	7
35.	Suicide	..	..	..	..	2	3
36.	Homicide and operations of war	..	..	..	..	—	—
Totals						148	212

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	<i>Cause</i>	<i>Age</i>
1.	Pulmonary atelectasis; Prematurity (34 weeks gestation)	20 minutes
2.	Asphyxia; Inhalation of stomach contents; (Regurgitation of food when asleep in cot); Misadventure; Inquest held 10.8.67	7 weeks
3.	Asphyxia; Inhaling stomach contents whilst lying in carry cot; Misadventure; Inquest held 16.11.67	10 weeks
4.	Broncho-pneumonia; Congenital heart disease; Mongolism	10 months
5.	Hepatic coma; Operation; Duodenal atresia; Biliary atresia	2 months
6.	Respiratory distress syndrome; Prematurity	1 day
7.	Respiratory failure; Prematurity	2 days
8.	Respiratory failure; Prematurity } Twins	3 days

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Laboratory Facilities

The following Laboratories are utilised for the examination of specimens:

Public Health Laboratory, Brighton

Cuckfield Hospital Laboratory

Public Analyst's Laboratory at Lewes

I would like to express my thanks to the Directors of the above Laboratories for their assistance, particularly Dr. J. E. Jameson, of the Brighton Public Health Laboratory, for his helpful advice on many occasions.

Ambulance Facilities

Cases of infectious disease are removed by one of the East Sussex County Council's ambulances stationed at Haywards Heath Ambulance Station, Bridge Road, Haywards Heath.

Hospital Accommodation for Infectious Diseases

Twenty-six beds are available at the Goddards Green Hospital for the treatment of cases of infectious disease, twelve of these beds are in a cubicle block and the other fourteen in a block consisting of two main wards and side wards.

A table on page 20 gives particulars of admissions during the year.

Smallpox

The South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board state that cases of smallpox occurring in this district should be sent to the River Hospitals (Long Reach), Dartford, Kent.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES

Infant Welfare Centres:

Cuckfield Congregational Church 2nd Friday
(Weighing Centre Only) Hall

Haywards Heath . . E.S.C.C. Clinic Babies 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th
Oaklands Friday 2-4 p.m.
Haywards Heath (Toddlers only 3rd and 4th
Friday 10-12 noon and 4th
Friday 2-4 p.m.)
Dr. all sessions except 2nd
and 5th Friday p.m.
Ascension Hall, 1st and 3rd Wednesday
Sheppeys 2-4 p.m.
Haywards Heath Dr. 1st Wednesday

Bentswood Presentation Church 1st and 3rd Monday
Hall (Toddlers only 2nd Monday)
New England Road Dr. on 1st and 2nd Monday
Haywards Heath

Lindfield Congregational Hall 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesday
High Street Dr. on 1st Tuesday

Clinics:

Diphtheria E.S.C.C. Clinic 2nd Friday 2.30-3.30 p.m.
Immunisation . . Oaklands Dr. in attendance
Haywards Heath

Chest	Haywards Heath Hospital Cuckfield Hospital	Every Thursday 9.30 a.m. (by appointment) Thursdays 2 p.m. Diagnostic
Orthopaedic ..	B.R.C.S. Centre Paddockhall Road Haywards Heath	<i>Orthopaedist:</i> 2nd Tuesday 10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. <i>Physiotherapist:</i> Tuesday 10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday 9.30 a.m.-1 p.m. 2-4.30 p.m.
Speech Therapy ..	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath E.S.C.C. Clinic Mill Road Burgess Hill E.S.C.C. Clinic Royal George Road Burgess Hill	Tuesday 9.15 a.m.-3 p.m. (by appointment) Monday 1.30-3 p.m. (by appointment) Monday 9 a.m.-12 noon (by appointment)
Eye Refractions .. (Schoolchildren)	Haywards Heath Hospital Sussex Street Clinic Brighton	Every Friday morning (by appointment) Alternate Thursday mornings (by appointment)
Minor Ailments ..	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath	As required
Child Guidance ..	East Grinstead: Moat Road Lewes: Castlegate House Portslade: Old Shoreham Road Burgess Hill: E.S.C.C. Clinic Mill Road	Every Thursday (by appointment) Every Wednesday (by appointment) Tuesday morning Thursday (by appointment) Every Friday (by appointment)
Dental	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath E.S.C.C. Clinic Royal George Road Burgess Hill	By appointment By appointment
Relaxation Classes	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath	Every Monday and Thursday 2.30 p.m.

Cancer Prevention	Haywards Heath: E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands	Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings as necessary (by appointment)
	Burgess Hill: E.S.C.C. Clinic Mill Road E.S.C.C. Clinic Royal George Road	Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings as necessary (by appointment) Wednesday mornings and evenings as necessary (by appointment)
*Family Planning ..	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath	Every Wednesday 2-4 p.m. Dr. each session (by appointment)
*Sub-Fertility ..	E.S.C.C. Clinic Oaklands Haywards Heath	1st Wednesday 2.15-3.30 p.m. Dr. each session (by appointment)
Venereal Diseases .	Facilities are available at Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton	
	Women ..	Tuesday .. 4-7 p.m. Thursday .. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
	Men ..	Monday .. 4-7 p.m. Wednesday .. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday .. 2-5 p.m.
	Men and Women ..	Fridays .. 11.0 a.m. urgent cases only (By appointment direct to V.D. clinic)
	New patients must attend 1 hour before clinic closes	

*These Clinics are provided by the Family Planning Association

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE IN AGE GROUPS

Disease	Total cases notified	Under 1 year	1-	2-	3-	4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 and over	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Meningococcal Meningitis ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Typhoid Fever ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Food Poisoning ..	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2	-
Dysentery ..	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	-
Infective Hepatitis ..	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	1	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever ..	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	16*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	12	-	-	-	-
Measles ..	320	5	27	50	41	56	133	5	3	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough ..	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	356	6	28	51	41	57	138	5	10	16	3	1	5	-

* 15 Hospital Confinements

TABLE SHOWING VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEARS 1953-1967

Year	Esti- mated Popula- tion	Number of Births				Birth Rate	Number of Deaths			Death Rate	Infants' Deaths			Infant Death Rate	Natural Increase of Births over Deaths								
		Legitimate		Illegitimate			M	F	Total		M	F	Total										
		M	F	Total	M											F	Total						
1953	17,010	95	96	191	6	5	11	11.88	101	173	274	16.11	4	1	5	24.75	-72						
1954	16,980	74	87	161	3	3	6	9.84	114	168	282	16.60	3	2	5	29.94	-115						
1955	17,090	88	91	179	7	3	10	11.06	107	171	278	16.27	-	1	1	5.29	-89						
1956	17,340	101	102	203	2	6	8	12.17	120	165	286	16.44	-	2	2	9.48	-75						
1957	17,670	110	93	203	8	5	13	12.23	151	160	311	17.60	1	2	3	13.89	-95						
1958	18,010	102	128	230	4	10	14	15.98	121	182	303	9.25	2	2	4	16.39	-59						
1959	18,460	122	112	234	8	2	10	15.59	103	162	265	7.89	1	1	2	8.19	-21						
1960	19,160	133	93	226	8	5	13	13.84	117	153	270	9.29	2	1	3	12.55	-31						
1961	20,080	125	136	261	9	8	17	15.36	107	172	279	9.16	3	-	3	10.79	-1						
1962	20,840	150	131	281	7	5	12	15.04	129	183	312	10.33	-	2	2	6.83	-19						
1963	21,300	155	130	285	11	9	20	16.18	140	239	379	11.02	2	2	4	13.11	-74						
1964	22,070	177	135	312	10	6	16	16.79	120	186	306	8.59	-	2	2	6.10	22						
1965	23,020	169	189	358	14	9	23	18.03	140	153	293	8.52	1	7	8	20.99	88						
1966	23,360	174	170	344	10	8	18	16.89	140	199	339	8.99	5	6	11	30.39	23						
1967	23,800	193	171	364	14	12	26	17.87	148	212	360	10.14	4	4	8	20.51	30						

TUBERCULOSIS—NEW CASES AND MORTALITY, 1967

Age Groups	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 45	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-

COMPARATIVE TUBERCULOSIS STATISTICS, 1946-67

Year	New Cases						Deaths						Number on Register at end of Year					
	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary			Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary			Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
1946	11	2	13	2	4	6	5	2	7	-	-	-	39	31	70	15	22	37
1947	4	2	6	1	1	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	37	28	65	13	21	34
1948	5	1	6	1	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-	38	28	66	13	19	32
1949	8	6	14	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	41	33	74	12	19	31
1950	8	11	19	6	4	10	3	-	3	-	-	-	35	41	76	16	22	38
1951	14	10	24	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	49	95	16	24	40
1952	26	4	30	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	71	49	120	15	21	36
1953	12	4	16	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	81	53	134	15	20	35
1954	7	5	12	1	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-	78	42	120	10	11	21
1955	4	4	8	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	78	44	122	9	12	21
1956	9	3	12	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	85	44	129	5	12	17
1957	3	5	8	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	76	43	119	5	9	14
1958	5	6	11	-	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	82	47	129	5	10	15
1959	4	4	8	1	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-	82	50	132	6	11	17
1960	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79	50	129	6	9	15
1961	3	6	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77	55	132	6	9	15
1962	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	71	55	126	6	9	15
1963	3	1	4	1	2	3	1	-	1	-	-	1	73	59	132	5	11	16
1964	2	2	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	79	58	137	3	8	11
1965	2	2	4	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	57	139	3	9	12
1966	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79	51	130	3	9	12
1967	2	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	79	48	127	3	9	12

GODDARDS GREEN HOSPITAL, HASSOCKS

I am indebted to the Matron for the following particulars of cases admitted during the year:—

Disease	Cuckfield Rural District	Cuckfield Urban District	Burgess Hill Urban District	Other Districts	Total
Food Poisoning	—	2	—	—	2
Sonne Dysentery	—	1	—	—	1
Streptococcal Throat and Rash	—	—	1	—	1
Haemolytic Streptococcal Throat	1	—	—	—	1
Tonsillitis	—	—	—	1	1
Scarlet Fever	—	—	1	—	1
Observation Scarlet Fever	1	—	1	—	2
Chickenpox	1	—	1	—	2
Whooping Cough	—	—	—	2	2
Mumps	1	1	—	2	4
Observation Parotitis	—	—	1	—	1
Glandular Fever	1	—	—	—	1
Infective Hepatitis	1	—	—	—	1
Infective Hepatitis (Contact)	1	—	—	—	1
Scabies	4	—	—	—	4
Herpes Zoster	2	1	—	—	3
Genito Urinary	2	2	—	48	52
Varicose Ulcers	2	—	3	20	25
Bronchitis	1	—	—	—	1
Bronchitis and Asthma	1	—	—	—	1
Tuberculosis	—	1	1	15	17
Total ..	19	8	9	88	124

The Cubicle Block allowed nineteen different diseases, observation cases or diseases with complications, to be dealt with.

CASES ADMITTED TO FOREDOWN HOSPITAL, PORTSLADE

Disease	Cuckfield Rural District	Cuckfield Urban District	Burgess Hill Urban District	Total
Typhoid Fever	-	1	-	1
Sonne Dysentery	-	1	1	2
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	1	-	2	3
Streptococcal Septicaemia	-	-	1	1
Meningitis	1	-	-	1
Virus Meningitis	1	-	1	2
Observation Meningitis	-	1	-	1
Mumps/Meningitis	-	1	1	2
Virus Infection with Meningism	-	-	5	5
Pyrexia with Meningeal Signs	-	-	1	1
Mumps	1	-	-	1
Mumps/Encephalitis	3	-	-	3
Mumps/Orchitis	-	1	-	1
Bell's Palsy and Mumps	-	1	-	1
Measles	-	-	1	1
Measles (contact) and Broncho-pneumonia	1	-	-	1
Chickenpox	1	-	-	1
Observation Whooping Cough	-	-	1	1
Virus Infection	1	-	-	1
Erythema Multiform	-	-	1	1
Total ..	10	6	15	31

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Below is a list of visits made by your Public Health Inspectors during 1967:—

INSPECTIONS

Housing Act (including improvement grants) ..	597
Public Health Act—Housing	429
Public Health Act—Other Premises	165
Infectious Diseases	37
Food Premises:—	
Bakehouses	21
Bakers' Shops	34
Butchers	71
Clubs—Licensing Act	1
Confectioners	31
Dairies, Milk Shops	27
Fishmongers	22
Fried Fish Shops	13
Greengrocers	49
Grocers, Gen. Stores	164
Ice-cream premises	51
Public Houses	26
Restaurant Kitchens	110
Vans and Stalls	33
	—
	653
Food Poisoning and Dysentery	87
Food Condemnations	12
*Factories Act	57
Shops Act	1
†Prevention of Damage by Pests Act	2,043
†Disinfections and Disinfestations	39
Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order	3
Pet Animals Act	12
Animal Boarding Establishments	1
Cattle Market	9
Caravans	3
Clean Air Act	103
C.A.A. Atmospheric Pollution Measurement	601
Noise Abatement Act	73
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	495
Schools	14
Swimming Pools	13
Public Conveniences	3
Hairdressers	28
Refuse Tips	7
Miscellaneous	195
	—
	5,680
	—

* There is an arrangement whereby the Building Inspector deals with the provision of sanitary accommodation at building sites and only in cases of difficulty does the Public Health Inspector intervene.

† These figures include visits by the Council's Rodent Operative.

COMPLAINTS

Four hundred and thirty-one complaints were received and dealt with:—

Rats and Mice	183
Insect Pests (Wasps 55, Ants 4, Flies 12, Beetles 3, Other Insects 11)	85
Offensive Smells	21
Nuisances from Drains	43
Smoke and Fumes	19
Food	13
Noise	9
Miscellaneous	58
	431

PRELIMINARY NOTICES

	<i>Notices Out-standing at 1.1.67</i>	<i>Notices Served during 1967</i>	<i>Notices Complied with during 1967</i>	<i>Notices Outstand- at 31.12.67</i>	
				<i>Served prior to 1967</i>	<i>Served during 1967</i>
Food Hygiene Regs. ..	19	40	50	—	9
Public Health Act ..	11	61	49	9	14
Housing Act	9	27	19	5	12
Factories Act	—	10	8	—	2
Offices, Shops and Rail- way Premises Act ..	27	90	21	12	84
Clean Air Act	—	2	1	—	1
Totals ..	66	230	148	26	122

HOUSING

1. Inspections of dwelling-houses during the year:—

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| (1) | (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected under Public Health and Housing Acts | 421 |
| | (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 1,026 |
| (2) | (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations | 23 |
| | (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 23 |
| (3) | Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and represented under the Housing Act | Nil |
| (4) | Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation | 88 |

2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of Formal Notice:—
 Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence
 of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers .. 68
3. Number of new houses erected during the year 1967:—
 - (1) State aided:—
 - (a) By Local Authority 54
 - (b) By Public Utility Nil
 - (2) Without State aid 283

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

The number of applications for Improvement Grants received during the year was 23. Those approved comprised 19 Discretionary Grants and 4 Standard Grants (17 owner/occupied houses and 6 tenanted houses).

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

Year	No. of Grants Approved	Owner Occupied	Tenanted	Estimated Cost of all Works	Estimated Cost of Approved Works	Total Maximum Grant Approved	Total Grant Paid
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1967	19	13	6	13,369 11 11	9,481 19 4	4,718 0 0	3,611 0 0
since 1954	293	196	97	191,319 3 0	140,609 5 3	69,546 19 6	65,421 8 3

STANDARD GRANTS

Year	No. of Grants Approved	Owner Occupied	Tenanted	Total Maximum Grant Approved	Actual Cost of Approved Works	Total Grant Paid
				£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1967	4	4	—	256 0 0	344 8 6	555 0 0
since 1959	47	32	15	4,076 0 0	5,215 15 8	3,242 0 0

IMPROVEMENT GRANT SURVEY

So far three areas comprising 583 houses have been surveyed and at the time of survey it was found that 364 had all five standard amenities and 219 lacked some or all of them. At the end of the year there remained 132 houses still to be modernized. These 132 houses comprise 56 owner occupiers (35 by old people), 70 tenanted houses (32 by old people) and six vacant houses.

FOOD PREMISES

The following tables show the number of food premises in the district, and the number of premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959:

Bakehouses	4
Basement Bakehouse	1
Butchers	14

Grocers	..	..	..	..	..	40
Greengrocers	..	..	..	..	..	16
Confectioners	..	..	..	..	..	22
Fishmongers	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bakers	..	..	..	..	..	10
Confectioners' Kiosks	..	..	..	..	..	2
Canteens	..	..	..	..	..	18
Hotels and Restaurant Kitchens	..	..	..	..	..	21
Public Houses	..	..	..	..	..	24

PREMISES UNDER SECTION 16, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1955

Sale of Ice-cream:—

				<i>Number of Premises</i>		<i>Number of Inspections</i>
Grocers	..	..	..	26	..	93
Greengrocers	..	..	..	3	..	9
Confectioners	..	..	..	22	..	41
Fishmonger	..	..	..	1	..	6
Bakers	..	..	..	2	..	23
				<hr/> 54	..	<hr/> 172

Preparation of Sausages and/or Pickling Meat:—

				<i>Number of Premises</i>		<i>Number of Inspections</i>
Butchers	..	..	..	14	..	57
Grocers	..	..	..	1	..	4
				<hr/> 15		<hr/> 61

Preservation of Food (by cooking):—

				<i>Number of Premises</i>		<i>Number of Inspections</i>
Grocers	..	..	..	7	..	32
Bakehouses	..	..	..	3	..	17
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	3	..	12
Fishmonger	..	..	..	1	..	6
Butchers	..	..	..	2	..	11
Bakers	..	..	..	3	..	14
				<hr/> 19		<hr/> 92

Registrations under the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959:—

Distributors	28
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FOOD HYGIENE

There were 13 complaints of moulds, foreign bodies, insects, etc., affecting food—8 less than last year. All complaints were thoroughly investigated. There were no prosecutions.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

The number of premises grouped in accordance with the trade carried on, subject to control under the above Regulations, will be found under the heading of " Food Premises ". All the premises are subject to and comply with Regulation 16 and all but two (kiosks) are subject to and comply with Regulation 19.

The following repairs, improvements, etc., to food premises were carried out:—

Wash basins and water heaters installed or repaired	..	4
Walls, floors and ceilings repaired	.. .. .	6
Walls, floors and ceilings, etc., cleansed and redecorated	.	25
Protection of food from risk of contamination	.. ..	12
Provision of nailbrushes	.. .. .	1
Accumulations of scraps cleared	.. .. .	2

THE LIQUID EGG (PASTEURISATION) REGULATIONS, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the district and no samples of liquid egg were taken during the year.

CONDEMNED FOOD

Condemned foods are disposed of by burying in the refuse tip and during the year there were 22 condemnations of food involving:—

Fresh meat 1cwt. 94 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.

Canned meat 1cwt. 7lbs.

Fresh fruit and vegetables 96lbs.

Frozen food 1,419 packets

The frozen food condemned was due to the failure of deep freeze cabinets in shops.

MILK SAMPLING

During the year 16 samples were submitted for biological test and all were free from tubercle bacilli and brucella organisms. These milk samples were also screened for penicillin content and reported by the laboratory to be satisfactory.

ICE-CREAM

There are no premises registered for the manufacture of ice-cream in this district. Fifty-two premises are registered for the sale of wrapped ice-cream.

ICE-CREAM SAMPLING

Eighty-seven samples of ice-cream were tested during the year, sixty-three were grade I, seventeen were grade II and seven were grade III.

One thousand five hundred and twenty-four samples of ice-cream have been taken since 1949, of which 1,071 were grade I, 386 grade II, 61 grade III and 6 grade IV.

THE LICENSING ACT, 1964

The Clerk to the Justices submitted to the Council applications for the renewal of the registration of two clubs. No objections to the proposals were made.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

The number of notices under Section 3 of the above Act of intention to install boilers was 4.

Section 10 (Chimney heights):—

No. of plans submitted showing chimneys	2
No. of chimneys erected outside control of Section 10	1
No. of proposed chimney heights increased following representations ..	1

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION MEASUREMENT

At two sites in Haywards Heath we continued to make daily recordings of the levels of smoke and sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere as part of the national survey being carried out by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. The pollution levels for the district even with a steadily increasing population show the average smoke readings have declined since the winter of 1963 until the winter months of this year 1967/8, when there has been an increase; whilst the average sulphur dioxide recorded generally shows a reduced level of pollution. This would tend to indicate many conversions to smokeless fuels by householders.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOODS) ORDER, 1957

Of the four pig keepers in this area, three use swill—one collects from the public and two use the products of their own institutions only. All were inspected during the year and were found to boil such food. One person is licensed to operate plant and equipment for boiling waste food.

FACTORIES

1. Inspections for Purposes of Provisions as to Health

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	8	2	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ..	69	55	2	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out - workers' premises)	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	77	57	2	—

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	No. of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ..	5	4	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ..	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate lighting (S.5) ..	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	5	4	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) ..	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	10	8	—	—	—

OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sect. 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel: Making, etc. ..	1	—	—	—	—	—
Cleaning and Washing ..	—	—	—	—	—	—

DISINFESTATIONS

The public seek the assistance of the Health Department in dealing with infestations of all kinds and, where possible, this is given. Wasps are dealt with either by liquid insecticide or Cymag, and when practicable, the nests are removed. The operator is allowed to use his discretion as to whether or not he can safely deal with wasps' nests and if there is obvious risk he may

decline to do so. A charge is made to cover the cost of this work.

Number of infestations dealt with:—

Wasps	..	..	..	55
Flies	..	..	..	12
Ants	..	..	..	4
Beetles	..	..	..	3
Other insects	..	..	..	11
				—
				85
				—

DESTRUCTION OF RATS AND MICE

Year	PREMISES				
	Complaints Rats and Mice	Surveyed	No. in Urban District	No. Infested with Rats	No. Infested with Mice
1966	170	1,846	9,098	257	96
1967	183	1,761	9,645	252	91

There has again been an increase in the number of complaints, though the number of properties found to be infested with rats and mice was found to be less.

RATS AND MICE—SEWERS

The annual test baiting of the Council's sewers was carried out in August. 18 manholes were test baited, one manhole showed an infestation and this was immediately treated.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

Four shops are registered under the above Act for the sale of pet animals and during the year 12 visits were made to them.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

There is one animal boarding establishment registered under the above Act and during the year the premises were inspected and found to be satisfactory and well managed.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Figures for submission to the Ministry of Labour, regarding work done under the above Act during 1967, have been prepared and are appended below. It will be seen that 302 premises had registered under the Act and, including re-registrations, 316 had been inspected by the end of 1967.

INSPECTIONS

Total No. of visits during 1967—495.

	Offices	Shops	Wholesale Shops and Warehouses	Catering Estab's & Canteens	Fuel Storage Depots	Totals
No. of premises on register	88	186	4	23	1	302
No. of persons employed	960	917	44	125	4	2,050
No. of premises inspected during 1967	20	72	3	14	1	110
Total No. of premises inspected	94	194	4	23	1	316
Accidents reported ..	—	4	—	2	—	6

CONTRAVENTIONS FOUND AND REMEDIED DURING 1967

CONTRAVENTIONS	Offices		Shops		Warehouses		Catering Establishments		Fuel Storage Depots	
	Found	Remedied	Found	Remedied	Found	Remedied	Found	Remedied	Found	Remedied
Absence of abstract of the Act ..	2	1	6	6	-	-	1	1	1	-
Absence of first aid equipment ..	9	2	36	9	2	-	5	5	-	-
Absence of a thermometer ..	8	-	28	8	-	-	3	4	1	-
Absence of clothing accommodation ..	4	2	15	2	2	-	2	2	1	-
Absence of incinerators ..	1	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Absence of handrail or defective staircase ..	-	2	10	4	-	-	2	-	-	-
Absence of or defective toilet facilities ..	3	2	14	4	1	-	1	1	-	-
Absence of or defective washing facilities ..	5	1	17	8	-	-	4	4	1	-
Inadequate ventilation ..	1	-	7	-	1	-	2	2	-	-
Inadequate lighting ..	2	-	9	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
Premises requiring cleansing or re-decorating ..	3	-	30	6	2	-	3	2	1	-
Inadequate seating arrangements ..	-	-	8	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defective floors ..	1	-	13	1	-	-	1	2	-	-
Dangerous machines ..	1	-	7	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate drinking water supply ..	1	-	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate heating ..	1	-	18	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate eating facilities ..	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Totals ..	42	10	232	54	11	-	25	23	6	-

